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## COUNCIL GIVEN SUPPORT BY ADDITIONAL UNITED FUNDS

More united funds and chests are recognizing their vital stake in social work education and are lending their financial support to the Council on Social Work Education in its efforts to recruit more personnel to staff local welfare services. Reports have just been received that the Texas United Fund made an allocation to the Council for the first time of $8,300, the United Community Fund of Norfolk, Virginia for $446 and Gary, Indiana for its full fair share quota of $295.

Reports have also been received from the Community Welfare Council of Milwaukee County which is again making its full fair share allocation of $2,132; Kansas City, Kansas $94 and the Greater Hartford Community Chest of full fair share of $930.

The Michigan United Fund has again made a grant to the Council for $2,500. *(Continued on page 3, column 1)*

*MISS WHITE*

Miss Grace White joins the staff of the CSWE on September 22 as Consultant on Educational Services, where she will replace Dr. Katherine Kendall who has been made Associate Director. Miss White has her Ph.B. and her M.A. (social service administration) from the University of Chicago. She has had a wealth of experience, both as educator and practitioner, including that of professor of medical social work at the State University of New York Upstate Medical Center from 1952-1957. She comes to the Council from the National Association of Social Workers where she has been Consultant on Education for the Medical Social Work Section. She has had long teaching experience at Tulane and the New York Schools of Social Work.

## FORD FOUNDATION MAKES GRANT TO CSWE FOR SEMINAR ON SERVICES TO THE AGING

The Ford Foundation has made a grant to the Council of $17,500 to finance a one week seminar for faculty and practitioners in selected cities. The workshop will be held the week of September 7-12, 1958 in Aspen, Colorado.

Initial stimulation for the seminar came from the National Committee on the Aging of the NSWA and is being sponsored jointly by the National Committee and the Council. Mrs. Mathiasen and Miss Diamond of the National Committee and Dr. Kendall of the Council are carrying staff responsibility.

The Ford Foundation itself has shown great interest in this undertaking and offered stimulation and encouragement in getting this project under way.

The Council has been aware of the critical personnel needs in this field but had not initiated specific action. The Committee on the Aging of the American Public Welfare Association as early as 1954 called attention to the need for greater emphasis in the curriculum to the knowledge needed by social workers serving the aging. *(Continued on page 3, column 2)*

*MRS. ADLER*

Mrs. Philip Adler joins the staff of the CSWE on September 8 as Editor and Consultant on Public Relations. Mrs. Adler has her A.B. in Journalism and her M.S.W. from the University of Michigan. Her daughter Elizabeth enters the University of Wisconsin this fall. Mrs. Adler was on the staff of the Family Service Association of America and most recently served as Director of Public Relations for the National Travelers Aid Association.

## COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION MAKES ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERSHIP

This has been a very active year for the Commission on Accreditation. Members of the Council will recall that the Accreditation Commission has three major program activities, namely: accreditation, the development of policies relating to curriculum standards, and cooperative work with the National Commission on Accrediting and the six regional accrediting bodies.

### Accreditation Action

During the year, the Commission took favorable action with regard to the following programs:
1) *Hunter College*, the Louis M. Rabinowitz School of Social Work, and *Syracuse University*, School of Social Work, were accredited as two-year schools; 2) *University of Manitoba*, School of Social Work was granted accreditation of its second year program; 3) *University of California, Los Angeles*, School of Social Welfare and *Bryn Mawr College*, Carola Woerishoffer Graduate Department of Social Work and Social Research received reaffirmation of accredited status under the periodic evaluation schedule carried out in conjunction with the Western College and Middle States regional accrediting bodies, respectively; and *Michigan State University*, School of Social Work received reaffirmation of accredited status; 4) the medical social work program was approved at the *University of Puerto Rico*, School of Social Work; 5) psychiatric social work programs were approved at the *University of Hawaii*, School of Social Work, *Michigan State University*, School of Social Work, *Univ. of Puerto Rico*, School of Social Work, and *West Virginia University*, Department of Social Work; 6) school social work programs were approved at *Fordham University*, School of Social Service and *University of Utah*, School of Social Work; and 7) social group work programs were approved at the *University of Nebraska*, Graduate School of Social Work and *University of Michigan*, School of Social Work.

An *ad hoc* committee is studying procedures employed by the Commission in evaluating applications for study from schools of social work seeking accreditation, and will make recommendations to the Commission with respect to the nature and scope of application material required for Commission review.

The Commission wishes to develop a roster of qualified evaluators to participate as members of evaluation teams in our individual work and our joint participation with regional accrediting bodies in accreditation of schools of social work. The program for periodic reviews of all schools of social work which begins in 1960 will increase the number of people needed each year for this task. Plans are being made for a one-day workshop this year for a group of persons who will serve as evaluation team chairmen.

### Policy Development

A new section of the *Manual of Accrediting Standards* on "Procedure for Withdrawal of Accreditation" has been developed at the request of the Board. It is anticipated that the section will be ready for distribution to *Manual* holders early in 1959.

*Manual* Chapter 2000 on "Objectives" has been revised. The revision was undertaken as a result of questions from schools, experience of the Commission in evaluating materials prepared for it by schools, and new understandings of the significance of the "Objectives" statement of a school of social work. The revised statement has been mailed to all *Manual* holders.

Revision of the procedural section of the *Manual* on "Qualifications of Deans and Directors" is in process. Proposed revisions have been discussed with schools of social work and prepared for Board discussion at its October 1958 meeting. A clarification of the standard statement outlining the two-year time requirement of the educational program (Section 3410) will also be discussed by the Board this autumn.

Guides on Branch Programs and Time Accelerated Programs have been developed and are ready for transmission to the Board. A survey of Work Study Programs will be made this autumn as a first step in preparation of guides for development of these programs.

The Commission on Accreditation accepted the Board's request that the Commission and the Committee on the Advanced Curriculum explore and prepare a statement for the Board with respect to problems which arise in accrediting the total school program in schools which offer post-Master's programs. The *Manual* has been drawn with standards covering the Master's program only, yet the impact of an advanced program on the Master's program is obvious in such areas as financing, assignment of personnel and total school objectives. A joint committee of the Commission on Accreditation and the Advanced Curriculum Committee will be constituted to review already existing material, including *Guiding Principles in the post-Master's Program* and to abstract possible guides for further discussion and consideration.

Two years ago, the Committee on Specializations of the Commission brought in its portentous report and the Commission, acting upon the recommendations made, secured the approval of the Board of Directors in implementing the recommendation that after June 1959 there be no further approval of specializations in the curriculum of schools of social work.

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## ITTLESON FOUNDATION MAKES GRANT TO CSWE IN SUPPORT OF THE ACCELERATED RECRUITMENT PROGRAM

The Ittleson Family Foundation has made a $10,000 grant in support of the Council's efforts to launch a national campaign to interpret modern social work to the public as a part of its accelerated recruitment program. The Council has long believed that parents, teachers and others who play an important role in influencing the career choice of young people must somehow be given a better understanding of social work and the career opportunities it offers.

It is hoped that the Advertising Council of America may be interested in this undertaking. If not, alternative help will be sought. Such a program of public interpretation is estimated to cost $40,000 per year and must be continued for at least a three year period to make the results worthwhile. Efforts are under way to get the additional funds needed to undertake the program.

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During this past year, the Commission and its staff have been working diligently in further preparation for putting this policy decision into effect. The new plan provides for a periodic review of all schools of social work; a continuing consultation service to schools on a regular basis; revision of the Curriculum Policy Statement to provide a more thorough formulation of the content and nature of the basic curriculum; preparation of educational materials developed from content identified with the various fields of practice; and a plan for informing the public of the practice areas utilized by schools for field instruction. The Council, as a part of its overall action with respect to the new policy on accreditation, has established an overall Curriculum Committee, to which the Commission has already referred materials suggesting revision of the Curriculum Policy Statement, but this revision cannot take place until the findings of the Curriculum Study are available. The Commission has asked various practitioner groups to prepare descriptive statements on 10 fields of practice which will be analyzed and transmitted to the Curriculum Committee for development of new educational material.

**Relationships with National and Regional Accrediting Associations**

Dr. William K. Selden, Executive Director, National Commission on Accrediting, met with the Commission on Accreditation in October 1957 to discuss the function of the National Commission, its approach to the issues and problems involved in development of working relationships between the regional and professional accrediting bodies, and general questions regarding the meaning and use of accreditation.

Working relationships have been developed with the following regional accrediting bodies: Middle States Association, Western College Association, Northwest Association, and North Central. The method of working differs according to the regional association involved. Preliminary understandings have been reached with the Southern Association and contact established with the New England Association. Experience with the regional accrediting bodies through participation in all-university periodic reviews has proved to be beneficial and fruitful, and the Commission looks forward to maximum development of coordinated activity with all regional accrediting bodies.

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Last year, the Council received support from more than 50 united funds and chests throughout the United States. This is the fourth year that the Council has asked for support from local united funds and chests in its efforts to improve and extend social work education and each year the number of local communities granting such support through their united funds and chests has increased. This support greatly strengthens the activities of the Council, which are of direct benefit to every local community in the United States.

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## AMONG THE SCHOOLS

Miss Mary Houk, Director, Division of Social Service, Indiana University, has been honored by the Social Service Alumni of the School for her 13 years at the Division. The Alumni recently presented her with a roundtrip airline ticket to Tokyo to attend the International Conference of Schools of Social Work and the International Conference of Social Work being held in November 1958.

Professor Gordon J. Aldridge of Michigan State University represented the Council on Social Work Education at the eleventh University of Michigan Conference on the Aging held in Ann Arbor June 23-25. He also served as discussant of three papers. He reports that the Conference theme was "Social Gerontology and Its Applications." Social gerontology was identified as a growing field of knowledge concerned with the behavioral aspects of aging in the individual and with the accommodation and organization of society with reference to its aging and aged people. There was general discussion of the development of principles, concepts, and systematic knowledge which will lead to more effective understanding of aging in both its individual and societal aspects. At the workshop level, efforts were made to apply these principles and concepts in the development of guides to individual and social action which might aid in the solution of personal and social problems of aging.

## NEW NATIONAL HEALTH RESEARCH PROGRAM

The United Community Funds and Councils of America announced in July the establishment of a National Medical Research Program in cooperation with the National Fund for Medical Education. Full details of the new program can be obtained by writing to the United Community Funds and Councils of America, 345 East 46th Street, New York 17, N.Y.

### Fulbright Opportunities for 1959–60

Forty-three foreign countries have invited social workers to observe and study their philosophy and methods of social work during 1959-60. Recipients of the awards will receive tuition, maintenance and travel. Eligibility requirements are: M.A., four years professional experience, language ability sufficient to carry on the proposed study and good health. Deadline for applications: November 1, 1958. Apply to: Institute of International Education, 1 East 67th Street, New York 21, N.Y.

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The seminar is designed to explore training needs in social welfare services for older people, to bring to the attention of the field new knowledge related to the needs of the aging, and to stimulate a greater interest among faculty in this field which offers so many opportunities to social workers for satisfying careers.

It is anticipated that the proceedings of the workshop will be published for use in extending its seminars and perhaps additional seminars will be planned.

## PUBLICATIONS OF INTEREST TO COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP RECEIVED FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

These are NOT CSWE publications. They may be obtained from the publishers or organizations indicated.

*Community Students Today - Leaders Tommorrow*, United Community Funds and Councils, 345 East 46th Street, New York 17, N.Y. - $1.00 per single copy or 90¢ in quantities of 50 or more.

This is an excellent "how-to-do-it" manual for agencies concerned with the development of social responsibility in children.

*Building Better Volunteer Programs* by T.H. Stevenson, Editor, The Foundation for Voluntary Welfare, P.O. Box 294, Princeton, N.J. No price given.

*Partnership for Plenty*. A report of the Fifth National Conference on International Economic and Social Development, 1025 Vermont Ave., N.W., Washington 5, D.C. - 25¢ per copy.

*The Displaced Person and the Social Agency* by David Crystal. Published by United Hias Service, New York, and Jewish Social Service Bureau, Inc., 1000 Reynolds Arcade, Rochester 14, N.Y. - $1.50 per copy.

A study of the casework process in its relation to immigrant adjustment.

*Social Perspectives on Behavior*. Edited by Herman D. Stein and Richard A. Cloward with an introduction by Gordon Hamilton. Published by The Free Press, Glencoe, Illinois. $7.50 per copy.

*The Worker's Stake in Mental Health*, AFL-CIO Community Service Activities in cooperation with National Association for Mental Health, 9 East 40th Street, New York 16, N.Y. - 10¢ per copy, $8.00 per 100 copies.

## EXCHANGE OF SOCIAL WORKERS

The Department of State may again receive requests from overseas posts for American social workers to observe new social welfare developments in other countries. A limited number of grants to cover the cost of international travel for short-time periods of study (2 to 3 months) may become available for 1958-1959 for the study of social welfare in Europe, Latin America, and the Far East.

Candidates should have completed their professional education in a school of social work and have not less than 5 and preferably 10 years of successful work experience. Fluency in the language of the country of study is desired.

For further information write: International Service, Social Security Administration, 3rd and Independence Ave., S.W., Washington 25, D.C.

## NEW COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS

*Recruitment for Social Work Education and Social Work Practice*, 4th Special Recruitment Issue of Social Work Education, April 1958. An issue you cannot afford to miss if you want to know what is going on in recruitment across the country. Price: $1.00.

*Employment Responsibilities for Social Group Work Graduates* by Gladys Ryland. A survey of job responsibilities carried by social group workers in their first year of employment following graduation and their evaluation of the appropriateness of their educational preparation. No. 8-22-1, Price: $2.00.

### SCHOOL-AGENCY RESPONSIBILITY IN EXTENDING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

I. The Team Approach to Staff Development in Agency and School No. 6-46-1, Price: 50¢

II. Guides in Providing Short-Term Educational Opportunities No. 8-46-1, Price: 35¢

### Unrestricted Teaching Records Available September 1

*Problem Solving in Dalton* by Olive Stone. A generic approach to social work theory and practice in the five methods. No. 8-53-2, tentative price: $1.25.

*Casebook on Correctional Caseuork* by Elliot Studt. Includes a framework for consideration of correctional practice, ten records with suggested study outlines, and a bibliography. No. 8-52-2, Price: $2.00.

### Restricted Social Group Work Records

*Children in a Child Guidance Center*. Selected meetings from four groups of children in a child guidance clinic. No. 8-52-1, Price: 50¢.

*The Jiggers* - Social Group Work with "Hard to Reach" Acting-Out Adolescent Girls. A record of a group of eight adolescent girls with serious behavior problems of an aggressive, hostile, and socially unacceptable nature receiving service from a trained social group worker who is helping the girls modify their attitudes and behavior. No. 8-52-2, Price: 50¢.

*Social Group Work with Male Patients in a State Mental Hospital*. Work with very disturbed psychiatric male patients on a maximum security ward in a state mental hospital. Its focus is on the development of a group worker's relationship with individuals and the group and on the use of group discussion for treatment purposes. No. 8-52-3, Price: 75¢.

## CALENDAR NOTES

### Save These Dates for Annual Program Meetings

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| 1959 | Philadelphia | January | 21-24 | Hotel Sheraton |
| 1960 | Oklahoma City | January | 27-30 | Hotel Biltmore |
| 1961 | Montreal | February | 1-4 | Hotel Windsor |
| 1962 | St. Louis | January | 17-20 | Hotel Sheraton-Jefferson |

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